

### ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A photofinishing system and method incorporates digital technology to manage workflow in a photofinishing lab or network. In the system and method of the present invention, images which are received at the lab are converted to a common digital format. This reduces the need for physical batching by permitting work to be performed at the lab in an order which is most efficient from the standpoint of an output device, and permits lab to efficiently handle workflow which may include a variety of image inputs and consumer/retailer options.